

more dangerous position. It can be a case of "diamond cut diamond," but the general tenor of the case is that it is not sufficiently to bring the disagreeable results vividly before the public mind. Our suggestions may be improved, but that some adopted to repress a daily source of distrust in our law, and for honest dealing, is, we need, a necessity. No Chinaman who takes the whole of any bribe by a policeman goes solely into his pocket. However unfounded the supposition, it is invariably that some portion of it goes into the pockets of his superiors; and if years of British administration still left this belief extant the "stamped out" the better.

Mr. Parker put forth by HOUSEHOLDERS after published yesterday are of some attention, though they do not prove a mistake in the idea of His Excellency the Governor. It is a very cogent reason for the stamp duty on small exchange on England is favorable to the Colonial public; and the sum made by exchange in exchange upon the actual sum at par. When the exchange is unfavorable, the post-office will, on the other hand, afford a ready means of small sums, to obtain a fixed rate of deduction, so that it is undeniable that the must pay in some form, the tax become in either case unjustly. However, the argument of the Agency is supposed to refer only to the rates between Hongkong and the ports of China and Japan there is a reasonable cause for accepting postal regulations as a decided and great difficulty hitherto has been the rate of exchange between the two, but the question of obtaining small sums at all. The Stamp duty, but slightly affect small money in this direction, which will be almost entirely through

MEETING OF JUSTICES. LICENSES.

The usual monthly meeting of Justices was held this forenoon at the Magistracy;—Present: Messrs May (Chairman), Mitchell, Rowett, Deane, and Dr Murray.

There were only two applications before the Justices—one the old question of the Albion license, and another the transfer of the Victoria Hotel license.

Mr Parker appeared to urge that the license for the old Albion Hotel should be granted to him, now that Mr Francis (whose interests had been confused with those of Parker) had withdrawn his claim in favor of Parker.

Mr May explained that he believed that Parker and Francis had gone in jointly into the business, and that now Parker appeared for the license on the old ground.

Dr Murray said that, since both Francis and Parker had been refused the license, it might be said to have merged. There were the Stag Hotel and the London Inn on this side of the cross-roads.

Mr May remarked that Mr Smith was rather inclined to favor Parker's receiving his old rights, as promised by former Justices, and that he had intended to be present at this meeting.

Mr Mitchell observed that there was some sort of right attached to Parker, but it was compensated for when another license was granted to Parker. It was only on Parker's own statement that Francis' retirement was before the Justices; he had reason to believe that Francis was preparing a petition to the Governor.

Mr Parker here stated that he applied for the renewal of the license he first obtained in 1859. Mr Francis (who also appeared) stated that he had waited so long, that he had waived his right and joined Mr Parker.

Mr May said that he was inclined to favor the application.

Mr Deane said there was nothing against the application except that it was for a house in an interdicted locality; but, the old occupation considered, he was inclined to approve of the application.

Dr Murray reminded the justices that it was a very good principle which kept the public-houses west of the cross-roads.

Mr Mitchell observed that the improved health of the soldiers was sufficient proof of that fact.

Mr May remarked that the fate of the houses recently established there showed that they very soon became nuisances. There was a Globe, Baker's house, which became a low public-house, and had soon to be given up. And likewise the Argus.

Upon the Justices, however, expressing their approval of the grant of the application, Mr May said that the Bench granted the license on the condition that Parker should remain in the house, and have the

witness got \$500 from Tam Achoy. (Mr Francis objected to this being taken down as evidence, because it furnished the connecting link between that and other facts.) Witness followed up this statement by stating that he gave these \$500 in question to defendant shortly afterwards—he gave them in a roll, but did not count them; he thought they were in \$50 notes, because the one outside was a \$50 note. Defendant afterwards, in reply to witness, said he could get a European for Tam Achoy to look after the buildings, at \$70 a-month; since then he had said nothing to witness.

Tam Achoy's accountant pointed out the \$500 entry as made by him at his master's order, and said that the entry of \$500 was not posted into any other book, because it could not be placed to any particular account of expenses on building; the entry was first made on March 6th, about 11 or 12 o'clock at night. Sometimes his master forgot entries for a few days, and then told him to enter them.—Mr Superintendent Deane stated that defendant was appointed inspector of nuisances on 12th July 1867; he is attached to the Surveyor General's Department, and his duties are to look after new buildings. Up to 25th April, had had no reason to complain against him. Rumors reached him (witness), which he conveyed to the Registrar General; and the defendant resigned, or asked his resignation to be accepted, on 27th April. Inspectors are called upon to give two or three months' notice of resignation. (Anything regarding resignation was objected to by Mr Francis, upon which Mr Smith said that a general line of evidence was followed by the Magistrate, especially in cases likely to go to the Supreme Court. His Worship said that he did not wish to go beyond the bounds of evidence, but anything which supplied necessary links to the case he would take down, at the same time taking note of the objection taken.) Defendant gave as a reason for his wishing to go at once, that a favorable opportunity then offered for a passage to Australia which was not likely to offer for some time.

His Worship remarked that, now the case for the prosecution was closed, he would commit the defendant for trial at the Criminal Sessions of the Supreme Court. Mr Francis asked if his Worship meant to do so without calling witnesses for the defence, when the Magistrate observed that he would be glad to hear any defence which could be made. Mr Francis therefore briefly sketched the defence to be set up. In so far as the object for which Tam Achoy was alleged to have paid the \$500 was never attained it was inconsistent to say that it was ever paid at all; and besides the whole story was inconsistent in itself. To imagine that a Chinaman would pay so large a sum, with the alterations which the bribe was meant to avoid being still carried out

March. Defendant had given him notice that the house was not sufficiently strong in the joists; and said that the house would have to be pulled down, adding "If you don't want the house pulled down, you must give me \$100." Complainant pleaded poverty at the time, on which the Inspector said "Give me \$80"; complainant then offered defendant \$65; he gave them to defendant in thirteen \$5 notes. The work had been stopped; but when the \$65 were paid, the work was again commenced. Another notice was issued on the 24th April.

Mr Francis (who, on Mr Gaskell's behalf, again appeared for the defendant) objected to this evidence as to 24th April, because the answers were not evidence, and were not connected with the particular charge. But his Worship overruled the objection, on the ground that he could not ascertain whether they referred to the primary charge or not until the witness gave his answers.

Examination continued.—Went to defendant's quarters the same day, when defendant said, "If you haven't \$200 you must pull down the house." Only defendant and witness were present. Next day he went and complained to the Registrar General. Witness keeps his own accounts, and here produced a book containing an entry "Paid to the Inspector, \$65," on March 28th. All the account book is in his own hand-writing.

By Mr Francis: Lo Achung is my uncle; my name is Lo Achung; and I live on my money. Mr Storey was the architect of the house, and on going to him after getting defendant's notice, Mr S. told me that the joists were too close; I next went and paid the money to defendant.—Re-examined: He paid the money because he was afraid that the houses would be pulled down.

Mr Hazeland asked for a remand, as he had no more evidence at present. The case was therefore remanded till to-morrow at 10.30 a.m.

The bull in the former case (\$1800) was held to cover this case—three householders, in \$500, or two in \$750.

But Mr Hazeland strongly objected to bull standing for both cases, as he had another case against defendant for to-morrow.

Mr Denton said that there were eighteen or twenty cases altogether, and some thousands of dollars in question.

His Worship observed that defendant had better be kept in Gaol until this case be settled; it was only a short time.

Mr Francis objected to any considerations of possible charges being allowed to influence bail; that was a most unusual course.

Mr Hazeland therefore asked for fresh bail; when the Magistrate ruled that the

in consequence. Found only 374 packages on the boat notes. In reply to Mr Toller, witness said he came to the conclusion that the goods had never been on board at all, and gave information accordingly.—Chief Officer Goggin stated that he had charge of the cargo of the *Carmarthenshire*, and the hatches were locked up every night. The discharge of the cargo was carried on by stevedores, and the crew had nothing to do with it. The hatches were opened every morning, he kept the keys. Cases were never left on deck at night, or at meal-hours. The numbers and marks of every package are put down in the Cargo-book, but not on the boat-notes. No. 2995 was received on board and in the Cargo-book. Another book he kept where the marks and numbers were put down. On comparing his boat-notes with those of the tally-clerk, he gave him a receipt. Could find no entry of discharge of any of the missing packages. He supposed they must have gone over the side without his knowledge. By Mr Toller: Have heard of packages not taken on board in London, and have also heard of packages having been lost on the voyage. [The Bench: Generally cases of Champagne.] Could not always keep the boat from the ship's side. Chinese who were discharging did not wait at dinner time more than five or six minutes before recommencing work. If there were preparation, a bale might be taken away without my knowledge.—Inspector Daly stated that he went on board *Carmarthenshire* on 10th March, after which he went to Sham-az-po on the China mainland, where he found the relevant produce, and the books produced. From further information, he apprehended the prisoner; and on examination of the cargo-boat No. 9 this morning, he saw that there was a small hole in the bulkhead, through which any one could see what was done on the other side. Sham-az-po is close to the boundary, one house of the village being in English territory; but he was accompanied by a Chinese mandarin. The velvet measures about 22 yards, and it was wrapped up in a piece of ornamented white-flowered paper. Messrs Reiss & Co. opened No. 2004 package, in the goldown of M. L. & Co., one piece from which was produced: the paper in which it is wrapped is of the same pattern as that found at Sham-az-po. The *Carmarthenshire* returned from Saigon on the 1st of May. By Mr Toller: The shop at Sham-az-po appeared to be for the sale of empty brandy cases and pickles, and was apparently a sort of marine store. Amoon came voluntarily and was not arrested by me; I sent for him to come on board, but he was not arrested.—Jedell Loyun, interpreter, here examined the Chinese account books produced by the Inspector and states that there was nothing

which this abode of death had doubtless, at one time, been carpeted.

Lying beside the bones were numerous ornaments, indicating the rank of the dead, and among them were many of those twisted circles of gold known to antiquarians as *torques*, which had at one time entwined the necks and the arms of their savage owners. Some of these were of unusual size, weighing one a half to two pounds, and many minor ornaments of the same precious metal were also secured by the happy finders.

What chiefly attracted attention was, however, a massive basin or kettle that occupied the centre of apartment, and was doubtless used as a sacrificial conser, for burning incense, it being two feet high and two feet and a half circumference. This massive article, wonderful to tell, proved on inspection to be pure gold, and was so heavy that the party had great difficulty in removing it from its resting place and bringing it into the upper air. Endeavours were then made to break the vessel, but the pure quality of the gold caused it only to bend beneath the weight of the blows inflicted upon it.

After great exertion the adventurers were enabled, by means of axes, to sever the mass into portable pieces, laden with which the party turned their steps homewards, having themselves to walk the greater part of the way to give relief to the burdened animals. The whole amount of gold was brought to Helena, and Mr Edward Parkins calculated that his share of the treasure amounted to about \$21,000, the whole being about \$100,000 in value. Mr Parkins is a native of Montana, and resides at Green Vale, near Helena, where he is well known. Notwithstanding his extraordinary good luck, he intends to return to the river where these discoveries were made, and which he calls Green River, feeling convinced that there are more outcomes in that vicinity.

LETTER FROM MR. BURLINGHAME.

The State Department at Washington has received the following letter from Mr. Burlingame, dated Shanghai, Dec. 11, 1867: It is the one referred to in our leader yesterday:—

Sir,—You will have learned from my telegram from Peking of my appointment by the Chinese Government as envoy to the Treaty Powers, and of my acceptance of the same. The facts in relation to the appointment are as follows: I was on the *Peregrine*, proceeding to the treaty ports of China to ascertain what changes our citizens desired to have made in the treaties, provided a revision should be determined upon; after which it was my intention to resign and go home. The knowledge of this coming to the Chinese, Prince Kung gave a farewell dinner, at which great regret was expressed

by one side and some by the other, it may perhaps not be uninteresting to our readers to add another to the long list. As the claimant to the baronetcy lived for some years in Australia, of course both parties to the litigation have employed active agents in hunting for evidence and for witnesses, the one to prove, the other to disprove, the identity of Tom De Castro with Sir Roger Tichborne. The trial, when it does take place in the English courts, will certainly be one of the most remarkable in legal annals. An article appears in another column, from a Deniliquin paper, in which the writer takes a very unfavourable view of De Castro's tensions, and considers him the same with one Arthur Orton, a convict. Orton is said to have been convicted in 1853, and sent out to one of the colonies. We have been informed that this same Orton was living in Fremantle, Western Australia, in 1867, and that he sent home a letter to one of his family. If this be so, he cannot be Tom De Castro, as this latter individual was in England in the year 1865. Sir Roger Tichborne is supposed to have been lost on board the barque *Bella* which sailed from Rio Janeiro some time in 1854, but the claimant alleges that he and several others of the crew were saved and brought on to Melbourne. A sailor, we believe, has been found who has been shown a photograph of the claimant. He recognises this, we are told, as the likeness of Sir Roger Tichborne, whom he saw on board the *Bella*, talking to the captain a short time before her departure from Brazil. This sailor was not connected with the *Bella*, or at least was not with her on her last voyage. And then the claimant says that he saw Sir Roger as the real Sir Roger by officers and privates of his regiment, by members and old servants of the family, by residents in the neighbourhood,—these witnesses numbering in all ninety-seven. The tailor of the regiment swears that De Castro correctly described to him the shape and material of the last two suits he obtained from him; and identified the photograph of one of his former fellow officers. An explanation is also afforded as to why De Castro was the name assumed by the claimant, and it is this, that Sir Roger, when in Chili, was acquainted with a family of that name. To one of that family he lately wrote, recalling the circumstances and conversations he had with them; and, in reply, a letter was received in which all his statements were confirmed. All these facts are rather singular, whilst the considerations, on the opposite side, are no less deserving of attention, though, of course, we express no opinion either one way or the other. As the claimant lived for many years near Wagga and Deniliquin, evidence obtained in that quarter will not be the least valuable; and the solicitor for the plaintiff, Mr. Allport, with Mr. Berliner,

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scale of clearance, 2s. 8d."

VICTORIA HOTEL.—Richard Clarke next appeared to request that a transfer of his license should be granted to his bar-keeper, by name George Lewis.

every government officer should be honest, and it was most essential for the interests of the Chinese community, of which he was a respectable member. About two months ago, Chow Atuk stated he got \$500 from Tam Achoy to pay to the defendant; which sum he paid as directed. At the time of the payment, Tam Achoy and defendant had a private interview; he, however, could not hear what passed as they were in an inner room. After defendant went away,

inspector of buildings, had necessarily a deal of trouble with Chinese, and had hundreds of summonses like that produced in the present case; and when Chinese were sent

him, would not remove the necessity of commitment. The fact of Tam Achoy not attaining the object for which he paid the money would be a very strong incentive for him to bring the charge ; while the fact of the in-

The defendant was therefore removed in custody.

Mr. Francis asked if his Worship could not reduce it to \$1,000; it was not so very grave an offence in itself.

A SIMILAR CHARGE.
Mr Hazeland, crown solicitor, appeared to make a similar charge of extortion against Inspector Lawrence, the defendant in the above case, upon one named Low

Lung Kee, Complainant, who is a student at Canton, is owner of Lot No. 61, Praya ; and he had a communication with defendant regarding the house on the 28th

THE "CARMARTHENSHIRE" ROBBERY.—Kwok-yee-man, head man of the cargo boat (Morgan Lambert & Co.) No. 9, was brought

Amnon, the informer.—Messrs Morgau, Lambert's tally-clerk (Chinese), stated that he was on board No. 9 cargo-boat. Witness produced his tallying book, and from the book he found entries of many cases bearing

four only of which he received, Nos. 2093, 2094, 2996, and 2097; there were 24 pieces in each case, and the case was valued at

witness said that the velvet was manufactured in lengths of 100 yards, which were afterwards cut in three pieces. Had a consignment of velvet of same quality in December last per ship *Graham*, and

had then been some time in Morgan, Lambert's godowns.—Mr James Ross Anton, shipping clerk in Messrs Morgan, Lambert & Co., said that they had cargo-boats, and they landed and stored most of Messrs Peirce & Co's goods. Produced bills of

loading for 377 packages, only 374 of which were received, according to the report of the head godown coplie. Sent to the ship

z Ko (4th brother) 49 taels 8 mace—which corresponds with the sum alleged to have been paid to the prisoner by Afóok.—moon, the informer, who was employed

ardly credit, were it not related to us by one whom we consider worthy of credence. The gentleman who related the circumstance to us came down by the steamer yesterday and had himself conversed with

the third day, came to the margin of a lake, from which issued a river, which they judged would lead to the Yellowstone.

complete their work, the travellers, after some labor, dug down some twelve inches, when they came to an immense stone, seven feet long, which it took the united strength of the party to remove. Beneath there was

pariahs, from whose forms the flesh had long since moldered away, and whose very bones crumbled into dust at the touch of the spectator. On the floor around lay numerous instruments of wax or chase,

some of iron and some of stone, and the entire apartment was covered with a fine and almost impalpable dust, which was all that remained of the furniture and robes with

requests made that I would, like Sir Frederick Bruce, state China's difficulties, and inform the Treaty Powers of their sincere desire to be friendly and progressive. This

foreign ones to conduct the Chinese correspondence, and as couriers. My suite will number about 30 persons. I shall leave for the United States by the return steamer for California. I limit myself in this note to the above brief history of the winter.

MORE ABOUT THE TICHBORNE
BARONETCY

reer in Australia, he is a gentleman in his manners and bearing, and you would have supposed he had never left the society of ladies and gentlemen, were you to see him in a drawing-room: there is no mis-

many non-commissioned officers, and fully fifty other persons who knew him well,—all disinterested witnesses. This is from the Melbourne Argus of the 14th March 1—

both in the colonial and the English newspapers, relative to the claimant for the Tichborne baronetcy, some inspired

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... have been dealing in dead bodies, sending them to the medical college at Ann Arbor, Mich., packed in barrels and marked

Two men from Alton, Ill., visited the

A St. Louis gambler, recently arrested for plying his vocation, published a card in which he says the gambling houses of that city have each been paying the police \$100 monthly to secure protection.

that the reason why he was arrested was that he had refused longer to be thus black-mailed,



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Above six months, The full Annual Rate.
2nd.—That Petroleum and its Products should be stored by themselves in buildings constructed in conformity with the following regulations:
"The Building to be of Ground Floor only, constructed of Brick or Stone, with Tile, Slate or Metal roof, such as to afford protection for the purpose of ventilation, the whole of such building to be sunk at least two feet below the surface of the road or street, or in the event of the floor not being sunk, then, any openings in the walls of said building to be built up to the height of at least three feet above the level of the road or street, in order to prevent the petroleum, &c. flowing out of the building in case of fire."
3rd.—That Saltpetre and Nitrates should be stored in like manner in buildings of substantial structure (without internal wood work) appropriated exclusively to such articles.
4th.—That the rate for the foregoing articles be not less than (2 1/2) two per cent. per annum.
5th.—That Gunpowder should be stored in some fitting place either on shore or in the Bay, under proper regulations and at sufficient distance from all other property.
6th.—That a clause be inserted in every policy covering ordinary godowns, declaring that Petroleum and its products, Saltpetre, Nitrates and Gunpowder, are not deposited therein.
7th.—That the foregoing regulations regarding the storage of goods do come into operation on and after the 6th July next.
8th.—That no Insurances on Chinese Houses shall in future be taken at a lower rate than (2 1/2) two and a half per cent. per annum.
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Ellin	W. Shait	C.-Chi. str.	200	May	6 Captain		
Ellora	W. Murray	Brit. str.	1579	May	6 P. & O. S. N. Co	Bombay, &c.	15th, 7 a.m.
Kan Ka Koo	W. Yenton	Amer. str.	313	March	24 A. Heard & Co		
Kobou	W. Oort	Dut. str.	80	May	3 Captain		
Mona	W. Morison	Brit. str.	542	May	3 Douglas Lapraik & Co	Swatow, &c.	
Reiver	E. Bolton	Brit. str.	777	May	3 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Swonoda	W. Jayne	Amer. str.	1833	May	6 A. Heard & Co		
Tigre	W. Bollevé	Koh. str.	1700	April	22 Messageries Impériales	Shanghai, Saigon, Suez, &c.	Immediate
Yesso	W. Ashton	Brit. str.	680	April	22 Douglas Lapraik & Co	Swatow, &c.	
SAILING VESSELS.							
Amaraanth	W. Fabius	N. Ger. bk.	400	May	8 Melchers & Co		
Amoy	W. Parkman	Brit. bk.	209	May	2 Thos. Hunt & Co		
Ariel	W. Keay	Brit. bk.	855	May	2 Bosman & Co		
Atrevida	W. Biset	Brit. bk.	487	April	6 Rozario & Co	Melbourne and Sydney	
Belvidero	W. Hower	Amer. sh.	1321	March	20 Captain		
Bertha	W. Wagner	Prus. bg.	235	April	29 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Bessie	W. Simmons	Brit. bk.	562	April	27 Chinese		
Bob Tail Nag	W. Grehan	Brit. sch.	170	May	7 George Holmes		
Carmarthenshire	W. Hensworth	Brit. sh.	812	May	1 Holliday, Wise & Co		
Chillingham	W. Dunn	Brit. bk.	462	May	6 Chinese		
Cintra	W. Ravacho	Port. bk.	362	May	5 Rozario & Co		
Cutty Sark	W. Moran	Siam. sh.	475	April	28 Chinese		
Dayspring	E. Middleton	Brit. bk.	393	March	10 Russell & Co	Melbourne and Sydney	Early
Deerfoot	W. Carlin	Brit. bk.	499	May	1 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Eleanor	W. Ronaldson	Brit. bk.	486	May	1 Douglas Lapraik & Co		
Ellen Hood	W. Neill	Amer. sh.	1012	May	8 A. Heard & Co		
Energie	W. Angles	Foh. bk.	278	May	2 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Estafette	W. Vepkia	Dut. bk.	424	May	6 Borneo Company		
Etarek	W. Clefford	Brit. bk.	399	May	8 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Everest	W. Clarke	Brit. sh.	671	May	11 Gilman & Co		
Flying Cloud	E. Urquhart	Brit. bg.	283	May	1 A. Heard & Co		
Frisch	K. Tutein	C. Ger. sch.	207	May	9 Bourjau, Hubener & Co		
Geo. Crasshaw	E. C. Alexander	Brit. sh.	670	May	4 Borneo Company		
Henri IV.	W. Mouillot	Fch. sh.	760	May	7 Order		
Isaac da Costa	W. Kallio	Dut. bk.	600	May	2 Bourjau, Hubener & Co		
Java	W. C. Anderson	Prus. bk.	309	March	31 Arnold Karberg & Co	Portland	Early
Jeanne Alice	W. Montier	Fch. sh.	1209	March	11 Order	San Francisco	Immediate
John L. Dimmock	W. Wenchell	Brit. sh.	1047	March	20 Russell & Co		
Leonora	W. Steinike	Brem. bk.	300	May	2 E. Schollhaus & Co		
Madras	W. Wupper	N. Ger. bk.	289	May	7 Siemens & Co		
Matilda	K. Ramsey	Brit. bg.	252	May	8 Gran & Co		
Midnight	W. Brook	Amer. sh.	838	April	14 Olyphant & Co	Tientsin	Immediate
Minerva	W. Carreras	Span. bk.	273	May	7 Remedios & Co		
Najaden	W. Neilson	Nor. sch.	230	May	2 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Nellie Abbott	E. Jordan	Amer. bk.	432	May	2 Olyphant & Co		
New Granada	W. Brown	Brem. bk.	350	May	1 E. Schollhaus & Co		
Neville	K. Jackson	Brit. sh.	715	Feb.	16 Turner & Co		
Nuevo Constante	W. Bava	Span. bg.	250	May	6 Remedios & Co		
Nununu	W. Hager	Hawa. sch.	150	May	2 Melchers & Co		
Orestes	W. Conception	Siam. bk.	381	May	5 Chinese		
Orpheus	E. Crowell	Amer. sh.	1067	May	5 Russell & Co		
Paramatta	W. Andrews	Brit. bk.	370	April	16 Russell & Co		
Peiho	W. Holdt	N. Ger. bk.	244	May	6 Arnold Karberg & Co		
Peiho	W. Holdt	N. Ger. bk.	244	May	7 Remedios & Co		
Peruvian	W. Thompson	Amer. sh.	1079	April	14 Pacific Mail S. S. Co		
Piccola	W. Krall	N. Ger. bk.	253	May	1 Siemens & Co		
Queen of the Sea	E. Reil	Brit. bk.	442	May	2 Douglas Lapraik & Co		
Rachael	W. Perth	Brit. bk.	288	May	5 Russell & Co		
Reynard	W. Emery	Amer. sh.	1020	April	17 Russell & Co	San Francisco	Early
San Lorenzo	W. Lebesma	Span. bg.	220	April	7 Remedios & Co	Puget Sound	Early
Sarah March	E. Morton	Brit. sh.	624	May	3 Russell & Co		
Sen Rippe	W. Pringle	Brit. bk.	138	April	30 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Stad Assen	W. Buer	Dut. bk.	444	April	28 Order		
St. George	W. Patterson	Siam. bk.	319	May	3 Chinese		
Tek Lee	W. Kerr	Hamb. bk.	350	April	30 Wm. Pustau & Co	Hilo	
The Colleen Bawn	W. Allen	Brit. bk.	888	April	4 Arnold Karberg & Co		
Undine	E. Scott	Brit. sh.	790	April	29 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Villa de Rivadavia	W. Casilla	Span. bg.	261	April	13 Remedios & Co		
Wemyss Castle	W. Nicoll	Brit. sh.	700	April	26 Birley & Co		
William Chandler	K. Brown	Brit. sh.	700	April	30 Bonman & Co	San Francisco	
Windward	W. Barrett	Amer. sh.	900	May	5 Olyphant & Co		
Zila	W. Baves	Brit. bk.	613	April	27 John Burd & Co	Shanghai	

WHAMPOA.

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Belted Will	Locke	Brit. sh.	812	May	11 Douglas Lapraik & Co	New York	Early
Danzig	Eldridge	Prus. sch.	289	April	29 Russell & Co		
Gazelle	Green	N. Ger. bg.	198	May	5 Carlowitz & Co		
Glenroy	Warden	Brit. bk.	337	May	8 Aug. Heard & Co		
Jane Woodburn	McDonald	Brit. bk.	230	May	7 Borneo Company		
Johanna	Stegmann	N. Ger. bg.	218	May	11 E. Schellhaus & Co		
Kwik	Lorange	Nor. bg.	131	May	3 Simsen & Co		
Lima	Mainhard	Ld. bk.	268	May	10 Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Lizza Allen	Ooe	Brit. sch.	300	May	3 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Patino	Patera	Span. str.	1200	April	30 Spanish Consul		
Providenza	Nattini	Ital. sh.	564	April	27 Remedios & Co	Manila	
Sultau	Howard	Brit. bk.	309	May	3 Order		

SHANGHAI.

Merchant Sailing Vessels, from or for European, Australian and American Ports, in Harbour on April 24.

Ship's Name.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Where from.	Destination.	Consignees or Agents.
Argonath	Nicolson	Brit. sh.	1072	April	12 London		Jardine, Matheson & Co
Catharina	Molzen	N. Ger. bk.	340	April	12 Sydney	Nagasaki	Glover & Co
Dilkhaush		Brit. sh.	1009	March	30 Cardiff		
Endy Finn	Penell	Brit. sh.	942	April	23 Liverpool		Master
Forward Ho	Hessack	Brit. bk.	508	April	9 Newcastle, N.S.W.		Gibb, Livingstone & Co
Jennie Bertaux	Harrison	Brit. bk.	275	April	13 Newcastle, N.S.W.		A. Heard & Co
Marcellus	White	Brit. bk.	780	April	6 Sydney		Depman, King & Co
Napoleon III	McMillan	Fch. bk.	743	April	11 Sydney		Frazer & Co
Niagara	Meridi	Amer. bk.	505	April	10 San Francisco	Hongkong	Olyphant & Co
Pekin	Seymour						

VESSELS LOADING.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	Flag & Rig.	Consignees.	Intended Despatch.
CHINA & JAPAN PORTS—				
SHANGHAI ...	Windward	Am. sh.	Olyphant & Co	
Do. ...	Swonoda	Am. str.	Aug. Heard & Co	
OTHER PORTS—				
BOMBAY, &c.—Eng. Mail	Kilora	Br. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co	15th
MELBOURNE & SYDNEY	Dayspring	Br. bk.	Russell & Co	Early
Do. Do.	Atrevida	Br. bk.	Rozario & Co	
NEW YORK ...	J. Woodburn*	Br. bk.	Borneo Company	
PORTLAND ...	Jeanne Alice	Fr. sh.	Orler	
PUGET SOUND ...	Sarah March	Br. sh.	Russell & Co	
SAN FRANCISCO	J. L. Dinmoor	Br. sh.	Russell & Co	
Do. ...	Reynard	Am. sh.	Russell & Co	Early
Do. ...	Wm. Chandler	Br. sh.	Bosman & Co	